

STANTON CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2021, at 5:00 P.M. at the Stanton Community Room with Mayor Magneson presiding and the following council members present: Jim Cavner, Pier Osweiler, Chris Stephens and Sheryl Porter. Also present were Kevin Cabbage, Jenna Ramsey, Harry Rossander, Jerald Palmquist, Gerald Wallace, Dave Wagg and Travis Taylor. Mayor Magneson called the meeting to order. Roll Call was taken with Cavner, Stephens, Porter and Osweiler.

Sheryl Porter moved Chris Stephens seconded the agenda be approved. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Jim Cavner, Chris Stephens, Pier Osweiler and Sheryl Porter. Nays: None. Motion carried.

This being the time and place for a public hearing on the maximum proposed property tax levy for the fiscal year 2021-2022. The Mayor asked the City Clerk whether any written objections had been filed with respect to this matter. The City Clerk reported no written objections had been filed. The Mayor then called for any oral objections to the proposed property tax levy, none were made. The public hearing was closed at 5:02 P.M. Sheryl Porter moved Chris Stephens seconded the council consider Resolution No. 02082021-01 – A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MAXIMUM TAX DOLLARS FROM CERTAIN LEVIES FOR THE CITY’S PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 BUDGET. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Chris Stephens, Pier Osweiler, Sheryl Porter, and Jim Cavner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Minutes of the previous meeting were presented to the council. Sheryl Porter moved Jim Cavner seconded the minutes be approved. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Pier Osweiler, Sheryl Porter, Jim Cavner and Chris Stephens. Nays: None. Motion carried. The treasurer’s report for January was presented to the council. Chris Stephens moved Pier Osweiler seconded it be approved. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Sheryl Porter, Jim Cavner, Chris Stephens and Pier Osweiler. Nays: None. Motion carried. The monthly claims for February were presented to the council. Jim Cavner moved Chris Stephens seconded they be approved. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Jim Cavner, Chris Stephens, Pier Osweiler and Sheryl Porter. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The treasurer’s report showed the following receipts: General \$13,872.04; Road Use \$7,970.74; Electric \$60,290.96; Water \$16,973.60; Sewer \$9,690.10; Landfill \$568.19; Local Option Tax \$5,873.46; Total Receipts \$115,239.09.

The following bills were presented for council action:

David Wagg	Salary	\$5,024.27
Travis Taylor	Salary	4,226.93
Marilyn Rubel	Salary	1,457.01
Shelley Anderson	Salary	1,071.00
Norman Larson	Salary	2,221.93
MidAmerican Energy	Gas	688.63
Farmers Mutual Telephone Company	Services	1,250.00
GIS Benefits	Disability Insurance	44.96
Chat Mobility	Cell Phone	35.67
John Deere Financial	Repairs	235.28
RESCO	Transformers	2,748.14
D and R Doors	Two Door Openers for Fire Station	1,870.00
Saturday Evening Post	Subscription	10.00
SYNCB/AMAZON	Books	186.14

Ultieg	Services	1,032.00
Claude Peterson	Flags	87.90
Iowa Good Roads Association	Dues	95.00
Ziegler	Repairs	487.62
Southwest Sanitation	Trash Pickup	45.00
Dickel Duit	Repairs	12.96
O'Reilly Auto Parts	Repairs	32.27
Westlake Hardware	Supplies	20.69
Red Oak Fabrication	Clothing Allowance	197.93
Great Western Bank-Credit Card	Supplies	587.15
Casey's	Fuel	1,199.54
Farmers Mutual Telephone Company	Phone/Alarm	469.47
Utility Account	January Utilities	3,605.85
Horton Homes and Appraisals	Appraisal for Trail	600.00
Jennifer James Communications	Professional Services	500.00
IMFOA	Dues	50.00
Villisca Review Stanton Viking	Council Proceedings	217.66
Bri Sorensen	Legal Services	262.50
Ahlers and Cooney	Legal Services-Water Rev Interest Adj	1,600.00
Marilyn Rubel	Postage	85.75
Montgomery County Treasurer	Sand/Salt	1,245.00
Page County Landfill	Recycle Fee	400.00
Department of Energy	Power Purchased	12,700.91
Central Iowa Power Cooperative	Wheeling	7,179.18
Southwest Iowa REC	Demand/Energy/Cost of Service	15,324.41
Duane Dinville	Rebate-ASHP	1,000.00
John's Heating and Cooling	Rebate-Contractor	300.00
Ken Van Wyhe	Rebate-Lighting	30.00
Allen Bruce	Rebate-A/C	100.00
City of Stanton	Utility Reimbursement	36,318.73
Fletcher-Reinhardt Co	Material	894.94
Midwest Municipal Transmission	Dues	135.00
Southwest Iowa REC	Repairs/Maintenance	2,238.46
Iowa One Call	One Call Notifications	9.90
Utility Equipment	Material	87.85
ACCO	Chemicals	562.62
HACH	Supplies	30.15
State Hygienic Laboratory	Analysis	33.50
OmniSite	Circuit Board	330.16
Sinking Fund	Transfer	8,770.00
Utility Account	Budget Billing Payment	220.00
Utility Account	Final Bill-Green	170.57
Alexis Green	Deposit less Final Bill	44.43

Great Western Bank	Collections	83.23
Great Western Bank	FICA-February	2,463.47
Great Western Bank	Federal Withholding-January	1,397.00
IPERS	IPERS-January	2,806.67
Treasurer, State of Iowa	Sales Tax-January	1,371.00
Treasurer, State of Iowa	WET Tax-January	895.00

Disbursements by fund: General \$13,291.83; Road Use \$6,933.87; Employee Benefit \$1,539.95; Water \$5,354.20; Sewer \$4,665.54; Electric \$84,430.87; Recycle \$400.00; Deposit \$215.00; Total Disbursements \$116,831.26.

Citizen Comments: Members of Ernie Johnson Post #406 were present to inform the council that should their building sell, they voted to use the Stanton Community Room for their meetings. Details will be worked out and brought to the council at a future meeting.

Update on MCDC activities: None

Community Director Report: Working on an update on the Stanton Web page, committees have been meeting on the Rural Housing Grant, the daycare raised \$100,000.00 through the Stanton Community Foundation, Midland Survey completed their work, Stanton Homecoming 150 committees are meeting monthly and plan on holding the celebration July 8<sup>th</sup> through July 11<sup>th</sup>, the Greenbelt Trail survey is complete and working on applying for grants, Hy-Vee has begun delivering groceries to Stanton two times a week, working on the Downtown Façade project.

Sheryl Porter moved Chris Stephens seconded the council give the approval for an application to be made for a Safe Routes to School Assessment. The council knows the need for sidewalks to school. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Chris Stephens, Pier Osweiler, Sheryl Porter and Jim Cavner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Chris Stephens moved Pier Osweiler seconded the council consider Resolution No. 02082021-02 – A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING IOWA’S TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TAP) APPLICATION. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Pier Osweiler, Sheryl Porter, Jim Cavner and Chris Stephens. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Sheryl Porter moved Chris Stephens seconded the council approve the appraisal done on property located along Phase 2 of the Greenbelt Trail Project. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Sheryl Porter, Jim Cavner, Chris Stephens and Pier Osweiler. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the request from Farmers Mutual Telephone Company to place an outdoor patio on the north side of the building at 317 Broad Ave. Pier Osweiler moved Chris Stephens seconded the council approve the request. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Jim Cavner, Chris Stephens, Pier Osweiler and Sheryl Porter. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Sheryl Porter moved Pier Osweiler seconded the council consider Resolution No. 02082021-03 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF STANTON, ADOPTING CERTAIN POLICIES, RULES AND REGULATIONS DURING THE PERFORMANCE OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Chris Stephens, Pier Osweiler, Sheryl Porter and Jim Cavner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The clerk reviewed with the council the utility write-offs for 2020 in the amount of \$447.51, two of them have been submitted to the state offset program, one was under \$25.00 and you can't submit anything under that amount. Jim Cavner moved Chris Stephens moved the write-offs for 2020, as submitted, be approved. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Pier Osweiler, Sheryl Porter, Jim Cavner and Chris Stephens. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The clerk reviewed with the council the proposed budget for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. Chris Stephens moved Pier Osweiler seconded the budget be approved as presented. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Sheryl Porter, Jim Cavner, Chris Stephens and Pier Osweiler. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Sheryl Porter moved Chris Stephens seconded the date for the public hearing for the 2021-2022 fiscal year budget be set for Monday, March 8, 2021 at 5:00 P.M. at the Stanton Community Room. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Jim Cavner, Chris Stephens, Pier Osweiler and Sheryl Porter. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Report: The street committee met and are working on what the street projects will be for 2021, discussed snow removal, a new shed will be placed on the Little League Ballfield, working on the employee handbook revisions, talked to Sheriff Spunaugle and he will be at the March 8<sup>th</sup> council meeting, the mayor and councilperson Porter attended the Township Trustees/Fire Department/Rural Fire Department meeting, need to work on tree cleanup on the Greenbelt Trail along the creek beds while the water is frozen.

Committee/Employee Report: Need new chains for the backhoe and new door locks for the Community Room doors.

Jim Cavner moved Chris Stephens seconded the meeting adjourn. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Jim Cavner, Chris Stephens, Pier Osweiler and Sheryl Porter. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Jeff Magneson, Mayor

Marilyn Rubel, Clerk

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